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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES DIVISION

Case No.: In re: 2:20-bk-19262-NB Khevin P. DeVaughn, Adv. Case No.: 2:20-ap-01655-NB Dimitra S. DeVaughn, Chapter: 13 Debtors **PROCEEDING** CYB, LLC, [No hearing Required] Plaintiff. ٧. Dimitra S. DeVaughn, Khevin P. DeVaughn, Comstock Brewing Company,

ORDER CLOSING ADVERSARY

This adversary proceeding concerns the dischargeability of debts. The bankruptcy case of Debtors and defendants Dimitra S. DeVaughn and Khevin P. DeVaughn has been dismissed (see 2:20-bk-19262-NB, dkt. 32), so they will not receive any discharge in this bankruptcy case, and dischargeability has always been

Defendants.

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irrelevant as to Comstock Brewing Company because it does not have a pending bankruptcy case.

When a bankruptcy case is dismissed, the Bankruptcy Court should determine whether or not it retains jurisdiction over any pending adversary proceeding. See In re Carraher, 971 F.2d 327, 328 (9th Cir. 1992) ("... where a federal district court dismisses federal claims, the court must consider economy, convenience, fairness and comity in deciding whether to retain jurisdiction over pendent state claims.") (internal citations omitted); In re Casamont Investors, Ltd., 196 B.R. 517, 522-26 (9th Cir. BAP 1996) (applying Carraher principles more broadly in bankruptcy matters).

This Court has considered the foregoing factors, and the other facts and circumstances of this case. Of particular importance, non-dischargeability issues are mooted by dismissal. *See, e.g., In re Menk*, 241 B.R. 896, 905-06 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. BAP 1999) (finding nondischargeability proceeding moot where debtor no longer has a discharge in prospect); *see also In re Steed*, 614 B.R. 395, 402-03 (Bankr. N.D. Ga. 2020) ("dismissal of an underlying bankruptcy case moots nondischargeability actions").

For the reasons stated herein, and good cause appearing, it is hereby ORDERED that the adversary proceeding is CLOSED.

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Date: January 19, 2021

Neil W. Bason

United States Bankruptcy Judge

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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2 3 I, the below-named deputy clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court, certify that I placed a true and 4 correct copy of the attached document in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing, no later than the 5 next business day that is not a court-observed holiday, in the United States mail, first class, postage 6 prepaid, and addressed as follows: 7 Plaintiff 8 CYB, LLC c/o Lane M. Nussbaum 9 Nussbaum APC 27489 Agoura Rd., Ste 102 10 Agoura Hills, CA 91301 11 **Defendants** Dimitra S. DeVaughn 12 Khevin P. DeVaugh c/o Lawrence R. Fieselman 13 POB 27 Bellflower, CA 90707 14 Comstock Brewing Company 15 Attn: Officer or authorized agent 2232 D. Street, Unit 101 16 La Verne, CA 91750 17 18 ☐ Service information continued on attached page 19 20 21 Date: 1/19/2021 Signature: /s/ Sharon Sumlin 22 Deputy Clerk [printed name]: Sharon Sumlin 23 24 25 26 27